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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Thomas GOSTELOW

Serial No. 10/549,617

Filed: September 20, 2005

For: TRACHEOSTOMY DEVICE

Art Unit: 3771

Examiner: Douglas, Steven O.

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amend claim 1.

Add new claim 11.